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Graduation Sunday May 23

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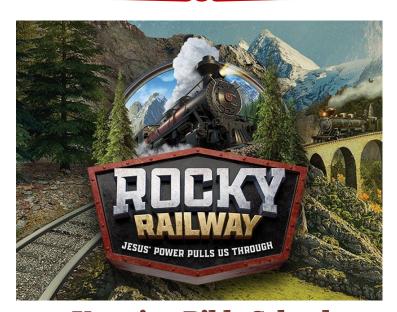




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Vacation Bible School July 19-23, 9AM-12PM



May 9 — 6th Sunday of Easter — Mother's Day Sermon Title: "Love the Parent, Love the Child" Scripture: 1 John 5:1-6 (CEB)

You can say that **1 John** is a commentary of sorts on the **gospel of John**. Water and blood are symbols that John used in the gospel (i.e. - Jesus and Nicodemus in chapter 3) - birth "from above" (or, born again in some translations.)

In 1 John, birth is implied through family terms like parent and child. Our relationship with God, through Jesus (the one born both of water and of blood), is family ('love one another'.)

On this Sunday, a "Festival of the Christian Home" or Mother's Day tradition, how do we balance the love of our church family with the demands of God's commandments? We've used the negative example of Cain and Abel a few Sundays ago and today we explore the positive image of parent and child.

But what does the author mean in verse 2a by the phrase "by this" believers know that they love fellow believers. What exactly is "this"? One clue comes in what follows: perhaps "this" refers to the parent-child analogy of verse 1. Let us open ourselves to these ideas this Sunday.

